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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A user-activatable substance delivery system:

- (a) a first web and a second web, said first web joined to said second web in a face to face relationship at least one discrete bond site and said first and second webs having a periphery and being joined about their respective peripheries and defining a void space therein;
- (b) a substance disposed in said void space;
- (c) ~~at least one of said first or second webs having at least one bond site,~~ said bond site having a longitudinal axis oriented in a first direction and a transverse axis oriented in a second direction orthogonal to said first direction; and
- (d) said ~~at least one~~ bond site defining a melt weakened region having an aspect ratio of at least about 3, such that upon application of a sufficient force having a vector component parallel to said transverse axis, said ~~at least one~~ bond site fractures to form a corresponding aperture to facilitate exposure of said substance.

Claim 2 (canceled):

Claim 3 (currently amended): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 1, wherein said substance comprises a fluid.

Claim 4 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 1, wherein said first or second web comprises a nonwoven.

Claim 5 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 1, wherein said wherein said first or second web comprises a polymeric film.

Claim 6 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 1, wherein said first and second webs are identical.

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Claim 7 (currently amended): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 3, wherein said fluid substance comprises a liquid.

Claim 8 (currently amended) The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 3, wherein said fluid substance comprises a relatively viscous fluid.

Claim 9 (withdrawn): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 1, wherein said substance comprises a powdered material.

Claim 10 (withdrawn): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 9, wherein said substance comprises a cleansing powder.

Claim 11 (previously presented): A user-activatable substance delivery system:

- (a) a first web, a second web, and a third web, said first second and third webs having a periphery and being joined about their respective peripheries and defining two void spaces therein;
- (b) a substance disposed in each of said void spaces;
- (c) at least one of said first, second, or third webs having at least one bond site, said bond site having a longitudinal axis oriented in a first direction and a transverse axis oriented in a second direction orthogonal to said first direction; and
- (d) said at least one bond site defining a melt weakened region having an aspect ratio of at least about 3, such that upon application of a force having a vector component parallel to said second direction, said at least one bond site fractures to form a corresponding aperture to facilitate exposure of said substance.

Claim 12 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 11, wherein each of said first and second webs comprise at lease one bond site.

Claim 13 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 11, wherein said substance comprises a fluid.

Claim 14 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 13, wherein said fluid substance comprises a liquid.

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Claim 15 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 13, wherein said fluid substance comprises a relatively viscous material.

Claim 16 (withdrawn): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 11, wherein said substance comprises a powdered material.

Claim 17 (original): A user-activatable substance delivery system comprising:

- (a) a first web;
- (b) a second web joined to said first web in a face to face relationship at a plurality of discrete bond sites, at least a first portion of said bond sites each having a longitudinal axis oriented in a first direction and a transverse axis oriented in a second direction orthogonal to said first direction,
- (c) said first and second webs defining an interior region and an exterior region; and
- (d) a fluid or powdered substance being disposed between said first and second webs, said substance capable of being exposed to said exterior via a plurality of apertures formed by the fracture of said bond sites upon sufficient application of a force having a vector component parallel to said second direction.

Claim 18 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 17, wherein said first or second web comprises a film/nonwoven laminate material.

Claim 19 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 17, wherein said fluid substance comprises a liquid.

Claim 20 (original): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 17, wherein said fluid substance comprises a relatively viscous fluid.

Claim 21 (withdrawn): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 17, wherein said substance comprises a cleansing powder.

Claim 22 (withdrawn): A user-activatable substance delivery system comprising:

- (a) a first web;
- (b) a second web joined to said first web in a face to face relationship at a plurality of discrete bond sites, at least a first portion of said bond sites each having a longitudinal

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axis oriented in a first direction and a transverse axis oriented in a second direction orthogonal to said first direction,

- (c) said first and second webs defining an interior region and an exterior region; and
- (d) an adhesive substance being disposed between said first and second webs, said substance capable of being exposed to said exterior via a plurality of apertures formed by the fracture of said bond sites upon sufficient application of a force having a vector component parallel to said second direction.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 1, wherein said bond site has a width of less than about 0.020 inches.

Claim 24 (previously presented): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 11, wherein said bond site has a width of less than about 0.020 inches.

Claim 25 (previously presented): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 17, wherein said bond site has a width of less than about 0.020 inches.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The user-activatable substance delivery system of Claim 17, wherein said bond site has an aspect ratio of greater than about 3.